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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action (Paper No. 5) dated March 24, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract are shown on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.